



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Colorado received some precipitation last week in the form of scattered showers in the northern mountainous areas, but very limited precipitation has been reported in the southern regions. Temperatures were above average across the State. Sporadic precipitation came with some hail and strong winds for the eastern regions of the State. The limited rainfall and warmer temperatures continue to cause concern for range conditions. The mountain snowpack is still above average with reports of flooding in the northern parts of the State but the southern region is reporting very dry conditions. Farmers were allowed 6.6 days in the field for spring operations last week.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	10	36	53	1
Last Week	9	35	54	2
Last Year	10	28	59	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	14	28	58	0
Last Week	19	24	55	2
Last Year	4	29	66	1

Small Grains: Winter wheat has finished heading with 79 percent turning color, 34 percent ripe and 21 percent harvested at the end of last week. The crop is rated in mostly fair to good condition after reports of hail affecting the crop in the eastern regions of the State. Spring barley was 72 percent headed and rated in mostly good to fair condition. Spring wheat was 63 percent headed and rated in mostly fair to good condition.

Row Crops: Corn was rated in mostly good condition. Sorghum was 98 percent planted and 68 percent emerged with 2 percent headed and rated in mostly fair condition. Sugarbeets and onions were rated in mostly good condition. Planting of summer potatoes was complete with 95 percent emerged and rated in mostly fair condition. Fall potatoes were 97 percent emerged by the end of last week with the crop rated in mostly fair to good condition. Sunflowers were 99 percent planted and rated in good to fair condition. Dry beans reached 76 percent emerged and rated in fair to good condition.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending July 3, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	9	15	39	30	7
Last Year	2	7	20	57	14
Spring Barley					
This Week	0	2	38	51	9
Last Year	0	1	21	65	13
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	7	42	42	9
Last Year	0	2	29	60	9

Pasture and Range: Pasture and range feed conditions are quite variable and were rated in very poor to good condition across the State. Alfalfa cuttings progressed to 91 percent of the 1st cutting complete and 4 percent of the 2nd cutting complete. The crop was rated in mostly good condition.

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep were still rated average for the State. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year. Producers in the southeastern region have started to reduce their herd numbers due to the declining range conditions and limited feed supplies.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending July 3, 2011

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2011	20	19	24	32	5
Prev. Year - 2010	1	6	30	54	9
5-Year Avg.	12	15	28	36	9

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Development Ratings for Week Ending July 3, 2011

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Headed	100	99	100	100
Turning Color	79	59	92	93
Ripe	34	17	42	57
Harvested	21	9	19	26
Spring Barley				
Headed	72	43	78	73
Spring Wheat				
Headed	63	34	69	65
Sorghum				
Planted	98	90	99	94
Emerged	68	43	95	79
Headed	2	N/A	3	5
Sunflowers				
Planted	99	91	97	96
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	91	78	92	91
2 nd Cutting	4	N/A	8	12
Dry Beans				
Emerged	76	66	98	83
Fall Potatoes				
Emerged	97	83	99	98
Summer Potatoes				
Emerged	95	72	100	97

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Livestock	0	2	14	75	9
Corn	1	3	24	66	6
Sorghum	4	15	55	24	2
Dry Onions	1	2	8	84	5
Alfalfa	1	9	29	52	9
Sunflowers	0	1	39	59	1
Dry Beans	4	10	54	27	5
Sugarbeets	1	2	31	59	7
Fall Potatoes	1	5	51	36	7
Summer Potatoes	4	2	53	37	4

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.